SCARED BY A BILL

Traders on 'Change in Chicago Experience a Panic.

ANTI-OPTION BILL CAUSES IT

The Russer of its Probable Passage Causes Whest to Takes Tumble— Other Cereal Products Affected.

This drop in the prices was not the saly demenstration of alarm. Commission houses became cautious of customers. Holders of wheat, bulls with money, such as Sid Kent, W. R. Linn and others, taking the ground that if an anti-option bill passed there was great danger of a panic, gave up their fight for an advance and sold out. After the hig men sold out the little holders stampeded. There was distress among all sorts of holders of property. The only man who got any comfort was the short seller, the individual who was to be the victim of the anti-option bill.

The banks, as uneasy as any of the sthers, hurried around a memorial to be sent to congress protesting against a bill which threatened all the western rain and provision interests. The settion of the bankers referred to sets forth that, in the judgment of the petitioners, the enactment of the Hatch bill, or any similar bill, would be estiously injurious to the banking and commercial interests of the entire country, and of the northwest in particular. Congress is asked to prevent the passage of the bill. The petition is signed by the following banks: First national, Corn Exchange, Bank of Montreal, Northwestern savings, Union national, Chicago national, Merchants' loan and trust, Illinois national, American unational, Fort Dearborn national, Atlas national, Commercial astional, Union trust, American trust and savings and the facethwestern national. Every banks.

Mr. Basch Talka.

ASSISTED N. Feb. 16.—"Tell the sle of the west that, so far as I am served, there is no disposition on part of the committee on agriculto to report any bill to the house calted to injure the legitimate dealing grain." It was Representative sh who spoke to a correspondent at conclusion of the committee's rative sension. "If there has been a leay feeling on the beards because his hearing," he continued, "it aimsahows how easily infinenced the

practically repeal it. It provides that immediately upon the passage of the net hanging shall be the method of capital punishment, but crimes committed between January 11, 1899, the date when the electrical execution act took effect, and the time when the amendment, if passed, is to take effect shall be punished under the present electrical execution law.

"STORMY" JORDON'S FATE

edge Weekee Has Setured to Let Him Go from the Juli Where He is Held for Hiegally Seiling Liquer. KRONEX, In., Feb. 19.—Judge Wool-

on has desied an application for a writ of habeas corpus in the case of "Stormy" Jordan, Ottumwa's notorious



salosukeeper. Jordan is in jail at Ot-tumwa. There are seven judgments against him obtained in state courts for violation of liquor law and con-tempt with fines aggregating about \$30,000 and one year's imprisonment.

OPERA HOUSE BURNED.

4 896,000 Blaze in Des Meines, In.—Destruction of a Theater Just After a Large Audience Had Left It.

Large Andleases Had Left It.

Das Moinzes, Ia, Feb. 10.—The Captal City opera house, the principal theater of East Des Moines, caught fire at 11:15 o'clock Tuesday night and burned to the ground. A horrible catastrophe was averted, a large audience having just left the building. The attraction of the evening was the prima donna Augusta Ohratrom, connected with the Slayton Lyceum bureau of Chicago. The company had just completed its programme and the lights were being put out when the fire was discovered. The company lost all of its costumes. The total loss is about \$90,000. The building was in the hands of a receiver. Insurance about \$35,000.

KILLED FARMER BELL.

KILLED FARMER BELL. Dr. Dunfoo's Gun Woot Off Accidentally

Sr. Manr's, O., Feb. 10.-In Van Sr. Many's, O., Feb. 10.—In Van Wert county, north of this city. George Bell, a prominent young farmer, was shot Tuesday by Dr. Joseph Dunfee, a well-known physician. A monster fox hunt had just ended, and while discussing the various laughable incidents the doctor carelessly discharged his shotgun, the contents penetrating Bell's abdomen, producing almost instant death. The doctor was placed under arrest and bound over to court in \$9,000 bonds.

A SAD AFFAIR.

While Shooting as Owle a Young Ne-houston Accidentally Ellis His Sister. FARMERS VALLEY, Neb., Feb. 10.— PARMERS VALLEY, Neb., Feb. 10.—A terrible accident happened Sunday evening, resulting in the instant death of the 18-year-old daughter of F. R. Haymeiser at the hands of her 18-year-old brother. The boy was making an effort to shoot two owls and did not observe his aster in the vicinity until she fell dead from the effects of the shot. The builet struck the girl in the back of the head, producing a horrible wound.

Ellied by a Landsilde

MUNICE, Feb. 10.—A landslide oc-curred at Blieskastel Monday, by which a number of buildings were overwheimed. A mass of earth and rock weighing hundreds of tons fell upon the house of a laborer named Dahn, crushing it to pieces, and in-stantly killing two persons therein. The occupants of the other dwellings fortunately escaped with their lives.

Fing Dimest Into the fiver.

East St. Louis, Feb. 18.—An unknown young man, returning from the races Tuesday evening, suddenly mounted the rail of the bridge and jumped into the river below, revelving several times in his descent. He was drewned. His body has not been recovered. It is supposed he had lost his own or some one's money at the races.

An Unitarity Woman.

Ovid, Mich., Feb. 16.—Mrs. Eliza
Ann Brardeley is the most broken up
woman on earth. She first fell and
broke her right arm, next her left arm,
then she broke an ankle, the next fall
took her right wrist, then her left leg,
and while hobbling on crutches Tuenday she fell and broke her right hip.
She is 67 years old.

Suffdage and Implements Destroyed.

STERLIFG, Ill., Feb. 12.—Two buildings, one two stories high, the other of four stories, both filled with manufactured implements, a part of the plant of the Sterling Manufacturing Company at Rockfalls, just across the river from the city, were destroyed by a fire which broke out at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning. The loss is \$50,000.

THEY KNOW NO LAW

A Reign of Terror Inaugurated at Oklahoma.

BLOODSHED MAY COME OF IT

aim Jumpers Souse the Residences and Loot the Stores of Settlers at El Reno Who Have No Titles.

GUTHHER, O. T., Feb 10.—When the lot jumpers began work in the town of hil Reno Monday it was supposed it would be only one of the wild rushes for vacent less characteristic of this country and would die out in a day. The situation has become very serious and it is feared there will be considerable loss of life.

Origin of the Treable.

The city of El Reno, numbering about 3,000 people, was built upon land homesteaded by John Forman and sold by him to ex-Gov. Glick, ex-United States Marshal Jones and a lot of other Kansas speculators who sold lots to the people. Secretary Noble decided Saturday that Forman's title was fraudulent and canceled it, thus leaving everybody in the town absolutely without title to property. Lot jumpers began jumping lots in the suburbs on Sunday. Monday their number was increased to a mob and they took possession of the whole town. whole town.

Every county officer has deserted his post, all being out trying to get possession of valuable property which some body clae has paid for. Monday night the mob broke into many stores and stole large amounts of provisions, and Tuesday all of the worst character, in the country and sur-rounding towns flocked to El Reno and joined the mob. They at once began taking possession of residences wher-ever the people were absent or could be driven out by threats and intimida

A Demand for Protection.

Gov. Seay received a telegram signed by fifteen leading citizens stating that they feared for their lives, that property was being destroyed, and as the sheriff refused to protect them they wanted him to call upon President Harrison for troops. The secre-Harrison for troops. The secre-tary of the interior has been notified of the condition of affairs, but no answer has yet been received. The mob has taken forcible possession of over \$100,000 worth of property and already destroyed or damaged much of it. The latest news from there is that there is likely to be a conflict and bloodshed at any hour.

CATTLE PERISHING.

Grass Covered in Idaho by Mx Inches of Snow-Stockmen Alarmod. Bosse Cirr, Idaho, Feb. 10.—Another heavy snowstorm is prevailing through-out the mountainous regions of south-ern Idaho. The present fall of snow is 6 inches, making it impossible for starving cattle and horses to uncover the scant feed. Stockmen eay that there is absolutely no hope for stock there is absolutely no hope for stock upon the ranges. Thousands of animals are already dead, and efforts to save the remaining thousands will be absalded. In some of the valleys farmers have been short of feed and have been compelled to turn the poorest of their eattle adrift to starve. The stallions owned by atockmen seem to go mad with hunger and run annuck among the hards and droves, tearing with their teeth and striking with their forefeet. The present winter has never before been equaled in Idaho.

BARDSLEY STOLE \$553,908.

PRILADELPHIA, Feb. 10.—The city comptroller has filed in court the official statement of ex-City Treasurer John Bardsley's defalcation. The John Bardsley's defalcation. The statement was filed preparatory to collecting on Bardsley's bond, upon which John and James Dobson were cureties. The amount of the default is determined to be \$353,900. This does not include \$400,000 which, under the law, Bardsley deposited in the Keystone bank, and which was there at the time of the bank's failure.

To Teek the Benk's failure.

To Teek the Bortgage Tex Law.

Langua, Mich., Feb. 10.—The supreme court ordered a rehearing on the question as to the constitutionality of the mortgage tax law for next Tuesday. The court holds that the question as to whether Gov. Winners signed the law as it was when it came from the legislature or whether it had been tampered with, as alleged, will come up some time or other and might as well be settled now.

SEDALIA, Mo., Feb. 10.—William J.
Condon, a Missouri Pacific brakeman,
was shot and killed by Lawyer William
Parmelee in the latter's office at 10 a.
m. Tuesday. The trouble grew out of
the garnishment of Condon's salary by
Parmelee. Condon leaves a wife and
two children. Parmelee claims Condon had repeatedly threatened his life
and he shot in self-defense.

Montread Firms Assign.

MONTREAL, Can., Feb. 10.—James
Carroll & Co., dry goods dealers, have
sasigned. Liabilities, \$25,000. Samuel
Marcott. grocer, has also made an assignment. Liabilities, \$36,000.

RACINE, Wis., Feb. 10.—Fire Tues-day night destroyed the works of the Hurlbut Manufacturing Company. Loss, \$55,000; fully insured.



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